

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, before line 3, insert the following heading:

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--

Page 1, between lines 24 and 25, insert the following heading:

--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--

Page 2, replace the paragraph, beginning on line 4, with the following amended paragraph:

--An essential idea of the invention is that sound is attenuated by means of two successive monopole elements in such a way that both elements function as a dipole approximation and that, in an equal manner, they are also used for approximately producing the monopole radiation needed. The dipole control signal is fed to both elements at a phase shift which is 180° between the two elements. (The monopole control signal is also fed to the same elements, only this time cophasally.) Total volume velocities produced by both elements are combinations of the portions obtained from the monopole and dipole sources. An idea of a preferred embodiment is that control signals are specified by means of suitable control functions.--

Page 2, between lines 25 and 26, insert the following heading:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--

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Page 2, between lines 32 and 33, insert the following

heading:

--DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS--

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